

# Sherif Guorgui

Sherif is an active member of the community and the profession. He regularly volunteers his time and expertise on a number of professional, cultural, and political boards and committees. He is a third-generation pharmacist. He was an independent pharmacy owner, associate/franchise owner, in addition to holding progressive corporate leadership roles with top pharmacy retailers in Canada. He also possesses comprehensive expertise in the regulatory and advocacy sectors. He is currently the co-CEO and Chief Strategy and Stakeholder Relations Officer at OnPharm-United, the largest network of independent pharmacy owners in Ontario focused on the long-term sustainability and profitability of community pharmacy.

Sherif has been an active volunteer in the profession for more than 20 years at local, national and international pharmacy levels. He served as a Council member of the Ontario College of Pharmacists for several terms and was elected President of the College in 2011/2012. He was a board member of the Ontario Pharmacists Association and the Neighbourhood Pharmacy Association of Canada, and is a current board member of the Canadian Foundation for Pharmacy and the Alliance for Safe Online Pharmacies (ASOP) Canada. In 2021, Sherif was elected to the Executive Committee of the International Pharmaceutical Federation's Community Pharmacy Section.

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Over the span of his career, Sherif received numerous recognitions affirming the impact of his tireless work in promoting the value of pharmacy to patients, colleagues, government, and stakeholders. In 2015, Sherif was selected as one of Canada's top immigrants, showcasing the value and contribution of international pharmacy graduates to the Canadian society. In 2017, he was named the Voice of Pharmacy Award winner by the Ontario Pharmacists Association for his significant role in promoting the value of pharmacists and the pharmacy profession. Furthermore in 2017, he was awarded the Volunteer Appreciation Award by the Peel Multicultural Council, which recognizes the work of volunteers who dedicate their time to provide quality and consistent service to the community. In 2018, Sherif was recognized with the Newcomer Recognition Award from the Halton Newcomer Strategy (HNS) which recognizes immigrants who live or work in Halton for their success and contributions to the community. Sherif was also awarded in 2018 with the Coptic Star Award at the Inaugural Egyptian Coptic Festival for Canadians from Egyptian Coptic origin in North America. This award recognizes distinguished Egyptian-Canadians for their contribution to Canada and their communities. community pharmacy. In 2019, Sherif was named to the Leaders In Pharmacy in Canada which recognizes individuals who are making their mark on the pharmacy profession in Canada and moving it forward.

In 2020, Sherif was presented with the global Top 100 Healthcare Leaders Award by the International Forum of Advancement in Healthcare (IFAH) for his tireless work in advocating for the profession during the covid19 pandemic. In 2021, he was presented with a personal scroll from the Premier of Ontario, in recognition of his leadership in the profession during the pandemic and his efforts in supporting the province's vaccine rollout plan across independent pharmacies. Sherif's extensive and unique experience over the span of more than 20 years as a community pharmacist has enabled him to have comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the different needs, challenges, and opportunities for pharmacy practice in all marketplaces, including developing countries.

